Nevada Division of Forestry News Release



Wildland Fire Hazard Fuels Project Grant Applications Available

The Nevada Division of Forestry is accepting grant applications for 2002 hazardous fuels mitigation projects that will reduce the wildland fire threat to communities. Project proposals must fit within at least one of three categories: hazardous fuels reduction, such as fuel breaks, thinning, pruning, landscape modifications, etc.; information and education programs targeting mitigation and prevention such as coordinating, developing and distribution of educational materials; or, homeowner and community action programs, such as safety inspections, demonstration projects, training and education of homeowners, officials and service personnel.

Projects that are not eligible include purchase of fire department equipment, installation of dry hydrants or water storage systems, small business start-up funding, research and development projects, or preparedness and suppression capacity building, which may eligible through other grant programs. Deadline for receipt of applications is September 1, 2001.

The wildland fire hazard mitigation grants are provided on a matching fund basis, which allows for both monetary and or in-kind services to be used in the 50 percent match. Communities, fire departments, and non-profit and other organizations with a federal tax identification number are eligible to participate in the grant program.

Grant applications may be obtained on the internet at www.fs.fed.us/r4/sfa_grants/sfa_grants.html, or by contacting the Nevada Division of Forestry at (775) 684-2500.

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